

Kenneth Jarecke

Home at last

UNO students K.K. Boylan at right and Barb Shanka wait for a ride after returning from a springbreak vacation in Padre Island, Texas.

AAUP president confident contract will be approved

By CHRIS MANGEN

The head of the UNO AAUP is confident the Regents will approve the tentative agreement between the union and the administration.

"I'm very hopeful. I expect them to ratify it," Janet West said. "I just can't imagine anything that would come as that much of a surprise," she said. "They've been kept informed each step of the way."

University negotiator John Russell agreed. "While I can't think of anything that would be controversial, we won't know until it's actually taken up," he said.

The Regents plan to consider the contract at their April 14 meeting in Lincoln, but Russell said the matter has not yet been added to the agenda.

He would not comment on the contract, which the AAUP accepted March 23 on a 115-2 vote.

"We have agreed with the AAUP not to discuss the agreement, and we're doing our best not to do that," Russell said.

West also declined to discuss the contract, saying the AAUP agreed at the bargaining table not to do so. She said the agreement was reached to "alleviate any potential problems."

West said only union members know the terms of the contract. Other faculty members have not been told, she said though the contract will cover them. They won't know until the contract is "signed, sealed, and delivered," West said.

One of the union members, Michael Gillespie, an associate professor of philosophy, told The Omaha World-Herald last week that the contract calls for an 8 percent salary increase over two years.

He said part of the increase would be paid to all faculty members and part would be based on merit.

If approved by the Regents, it would be the first contract between UNO professors and the administration since the union was formed 4½ years ago.

Is the contract a victory for the union?

"Victory is not a good word," West said. "We've been able to accomplish a goal we've had for 5 years," she said. The administration made some concessions to reach the agreement, and so did the union, West said.

The administration and the union did reach a partial agreement for a contract for 1980-81 and 1981-82, but those agreements concerned wages only. For 1982-83, the Nebraska Commission on Industrial Relations ordered the University to pay the UNO faculty a 6.6 percent salary increase.

The Regents ordered UNO to cut 19.25 faculty positions in case the Commission on Industrial Relations had to settle the wage dispute for 1983-84.

University officials and the Regents have said if the Regents ratify the contract approved by the AAUP, some of the cuts may not be made.

The Regents were to decide on whether to implement the cuts at their March 17 meeting, but they delayed action until the April 14 meeting, when the contract also will be considered.

The proposed cuts call for elimination of the Writer's Workshop and the Teaching the Hearing Impaired program, and the changing of Black Studies from a department to a program.

The Regents could decide not to implement some or all of the programs.

West has charged that the Regents threatened the program cuts to influence UNL professors not to approve their own chapter of the AAUP.

She said it's difficult to know if the tentative agreement will have an effect on the drive to unionize the UNL campus.

Linda Pratt, UNL chapter president of the AAUP, said she doesn't think it will have any effect because the UNL members will finish voting by April 10, four days before details of the UNO contract will be made public.

"It looks like we're facing a close decision," she said of the vote.

Harrigan's defeats La Casa

Trivia league champs determined in see-saw battle

By CINDY GONZALES

Another full house packed Bourbon Street Lounge last Wednesday night to witness the fourth and final round of the KVNO Spring Trivia League contest.

This final leg of competition wrapped up the scheduled events for the KVNO fund-raising drive. The Spring Trivia League contest is a spin-off of Thom Corritore's "Hollywood Radio and the Tube" trivia show. The show is broadcast Wednesday at 7 p.m. on KVNO FM 90.7.

Joe Patrick, voice of the Creighton Bluejays, announced the show, while Corritore acted as quizmaster. Broadcast live on KVNO from Bourbon Street, the contest operated much like a TV game show.

A panel of judges, official scorekeepers and timers sat along ringside. Walls surrounding the grandstand were plastered with nostalgic movie posters, outdated magazine covers and an old-time record album of the original "Wizard of Oz" soundtrack.

During the contest, KVNO listeners were urged to call in and pledge money to help fund operational costs of the station. According to a KVNO spokesperson, 50 percent of the station's funds are raised through semi-annual fund-raising drives.

Of 22 local teams that began the contest in March, four persons from the UNO Sports Information Office, representing La Casa West, emerged the Spring Trivia League Contest winners.

Gary Anderson, Jim Bac, Mike Patterson, Leo Biga and alternate player Chuck Osberg made up the winning La Casa West team. The team advanced to the grand championship match against the Fall champions, Harrigans.

The match began around 8:30 p.m. Wednes-



Poised to answer . . . team La Casa West, Mike Patterson, Leo Biga and Gary Anderson listen intently to a trivia question.

day. Corritore unwrapped a small package that contained 30 cue cards upon which the final questions of the contest were written. Earlier in the evening, the Tee Peees, Darby's and Mangelsens were eliminated in the semi-finals and final matches.

Two KVNO personnel walked around the bar waving white signs which read SILENCE. Cor-

ritore read the first question: "Colonel Hogan and the heroes were held . . ."

At that point, La Casa slammed its buzzer and answered with "Stalag 13." They chalked up the first five points of the match. The remainder of the first half followed much the same pattern, and La Casa led 60-30 at the end of the half.

The tables turned in the second half, and Harrigans took the lead away from the opponents. The team, that had not competed since last fall, warmed up in the latter half and continued to press its buzzer a split second ahead of La Casa. Harrigans went on to defeat La Casa 100-85.

After the match, Harrigan team member Louisa Tilford explained the team's slow start. "We all knew the answers but we had to get used to the buzzer."

When Harrigans entered the contest last fall, the teams blew whistles when they knew correct answers.

A team member from La Casa West agreed the contest turned into a game of who had the quickest reflexes. He said his team knew all the answers, but Harrigan's beat them to the buzzer.

Corritore said Wednesday was the most competitive night of the tournament. He added that few questions got by the teams.

Unanswered questions were turned over to the audience, who through a unified effort, always came up with the correct answer.

Toward the end of the night, spectators started yelling out answers before the teams did. Those questions were disqualified.

The contest was covered by two television stations. Jeff Jordan and World-Herald columnist Steve Millburg served as official scorekeepers.

Corritore said the event was a very successful fund-raising effort for KVNO.

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'Aging hippie surfer' fights sexism, debt

Christine Craft says she isn't out to make money with her suit against Metromedia Inc.

In fact, at a lecture at the Creighton University Brandeis Student Center last week, she said she is \$30,000 in debt from fighting the media conglomerate.

"While Joan Rivers makes bad jokes, I have \$14 to my name," she told an audience of about 135.

Craft, former co-anchor for KMBC-TV, an ABC affiliate in Kansas City, lost her job because she was "too old, too unattractive and not sufficiently deferential to men."

Craft has sued Metromedia for sex discrimination and fraud. A judge overturned the award by a federal jury of \$500,000 in 1983. In a second trial, a jury in Joplin, Mo. awarded her \$350,000, but Metromedia is appealing.

Life was not always so complicated for Craft. Once a professional surfer, she now describes herself as "an aging hippie surfer."

Craft, 39, started her television career in 1975.

"OK, I started out as the curvaceous beauty in front of the stationary front," she said. But she said she was soon "doing everything," from film shooting and editing, sports reporting and news reporting, at KSBW-TV in Salinas, California.

Her boss once asked her to do the weather in a bikini during a long heat spell, she recalled. Instead, she showed up in a very unflattering and unrevealing swimsuit from the 1920s.

Craft said some have called her "not only a mutt, but an opportunistic mutt," because she is on the lecture circuit. She said she did not create publicity about her case, but admitted, "I didn't try to stop it."

She said she has landed a job to cover the Democratic convention in San Francisco for the Convention Television Network of Washington, D.C.

Craft said she is also writing a book about her experiences.



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Ghouls in Texas

Something frightening happened in Huntsville, Texas this weekend.

Ronald Clark O'Bryan was executed for killing his 8-year-old son with cyanide-laced Halloween candy. That anyone would even contemplate doing such a thing is scary. So is the fact that the government has the power to execute people.

But more alarming were the actions of death-penalty supporters outside the Huntsville prison.

The Associated Press reported that, as deadly drugs flowed into O'Bryan's body, about 300 supporters of the death penalty were outside cheering.

During the execution they yelled "Trick or Treat" and "Is he dead yet?" Some sprinkled candy on about 30 opponents of the death penalty gathered outside the prison.

Now granted, as the protesters would say, O'Bryan is a scum.

He tried to poison his daughter and a couple of the kids' friends, too. He apparently hoped to collect \$31,000 in insurance money from policies he purchased for his children.

But that doesn't justify the actions of death penalty proponents outside the prison.

It probably didn't help that the execution was held at midnight on Saturday. There's probably not a lot to do in Huntsville, Texas, even on a Saturday night.

One can imagine some "good old boys" driving around, bored. "Hey, let's swing by the prison where the 'Candy Man' is being executed," one can imagine them saying. "Let's show that scum that he can't get away with what he did."

What the folks didn't realize though, was they were almost as despicable as O'Bryan.

Only fellow scum would use an execution to fight the boredom of a Saturday night.

—CHRIS MANGEN



The Philosophicker

By Jeffrey A. Kallman

Play ball

Such meager credentials as mine in political philosophicking are likely to be revoked for the following words, but one shout of "Play Ball!" from the home plate ump is worth fifteen volumes of tracts from either political party's house organs. At the sound of baseball's call to colors, one begins all over again to believe in the metaphysical possibilities of America.

Bad politickers make a mockery of the honor of political philosophy, and you can rest assured that Edmund Burke and Thomas Jefferson have maintained the necessary stock of Maa-lox against the modern mockeries effected in their names. But the worst ballplayer in creation would have to work double overtime to stain the essential beauty of the old ball game. Now, perhaps the classic mettle would be enhanced without reserve by a second coming of the seminal one-on-one in the modern age — Sandy Koufax leaning back to snap a devastating overhand curve at Willie Mays — but whenever the batter pumps and the pitcher winds up, time nearly comes to a stop.

In that moment, you learn more about ephemera than from all the platforms of either party lined end to end. And it is within that hanging fragment that you can find, with the proper sensitivity, just how edifying ephemera can be.

To a point, politics makes room for surprise, but political surprises tend to grate upon people before long, most likely because politickers neglect to demonstrate respect for the fluctuations which are as natural to America as the six o'clock news.

Then, the primary predication of political philosophy rests upon this point: that one has, or strives toward, a clear and communicable view of the plain, intelligible order of societal disposition and the behavior of human beings. Likewise, the

manager in the dugout operates upon a similar premise. Thus, if the book on Team B concludes that they are utterly powerless against left-handed pitching and inbreaking curve balls, why, he's going to offer his most prepared southpaw, with the meanest curve ball in town, right?

But, ho ho ho, the manager of Team A never quite knows, until it is nearly too late, when Team B is going to defy the books and drive his left-handed curveballer clean into the showers. To be sure, baseball's unaccountable uprisings are hardly a danger to the democratic ideal. But the most partisan baseball fan has within a greater capacity to appreciate ephemeral factors than the most partisan politician.

The ephemeral element of baseball, moreover, acts in splendid harmony with the elementary order of the game, a point which cannot always be drawn toward the ephemeral elements of politics. A single game can be utterly without defined outcome, yet obeys a certain prescription. No batter has yet remained at the plate after a third strike, not accounting for disputed calls. No team has ever sent a man to the plate after the third out, unless the catcher drops the third strike (as Mickey Owen, for one, learned to his utter embarrassment in the 1941 World Series).

But time is unlimited; likewise, the challenge to the thinking of both players and observers. A team can bat around the order, in the process of placing a game past the reach of the enemy, and there is no clock to suddenly bleat out an obscene whine, saying "Halt!" A game can last for, say, 24 innings before one team earns victory. Ball players and managers can use everything, short of cherry bombs, to wrest the advantage. But the essentials remain immobile, right down to the dimensions of the

basepaths.

Likewise, time was never imposed upon the United States. The Founding Fathers did not insert into the Constitution a caveat stating that the nation had 50 years to make it work, before crackdown time (remember, no one then predicted the Civil War). Neither did they impose limits upon the thinking of the men duly chosen to serve in the governance thereof, notwithstanding that some of them behave as if limits had indeed been imposed on their thinking. But the Constitution does prescribe an essential order of support for the national being, even as foul lines and 90-foot basepaths support the essential order of the old ball game. Masterstrokes of civilization, moreover, do not easily cringe before the idiosyncracies of men.

Political idiosyncracies certainly carry greater discomfort than even the designated hitter. But even there, you can find the justification of faith. Perhaps politickers ought to try managing the New York Yankees before they presume to manage the affairs of state, never mind the lives of citizens. They might yet discover how flexible indeed is a minimal order of things, how generous it is with evolution and ephemera, and how needless are the many ways they devise to outsmart the smarts which composed this minimal order to begin with. In the end, that, is the most enduring beauty of baseball: as the game is structured yet unlimited, so is the United States. And, all the people thereof. So, I echo happily, Play Ball! At last!

Lies about Nicaragua have familiar ring

By COLMAN MCCARTHY

They are unlikely allies in the cause of peace. Gerry Condon, 36, is a former Green Beret who refused orders to fight in Vietnam. He went to Canada and Sweden to counsel other conscientious objectors in exile. Tony Guarisco, in his late 50s, is a disabled World War II veteran whose body is wracked with illnesses he believes are traceable to exposure to atomic fallout when he was stationed in Pacific island test sites after 1945. Of his poor health, he says: "I haven't much longer to go."

Condon is a tall, erect man with an analytical mind. Guarisco is short, bent over from pain and has a whole-souled fervor for talking to people.

The two were part of an 11-member delegation of veterans that recently went to Nicaragua to learn the effects of Reagan policies there. These include supporting up to 10,000 anti-Sandinista rebels. In addition, as many as 6,000 American soldiers had been in Honduras in military maneuvers known as Big Pine I and Big Pine II, and with plans for Big Pine III.

The American veterans went with an open mind. What they learned was deep and lasting. "The sense that we got," Condon said, "was that Nicaraguans didn't want war but if it came they had something worth fighting for. This is not going to be another Grenada. If the United States comes in here, a lot of people on both sides are going to be dying."

In Nicaragua, Condon and Guarisco found a people tense with the fear of a military escalation by the Reagan administration. Trenches have been dug around homes and gardens. More will be dug. Middle-aged men who survived the revolutionary war against the Somoza government now teach their young teen-

aged children how to survive a possible war against the Reagan government.

Following the release of the Kissinger commission report on Central America, the Veterans Against Intervention in Central America said it was too bad that those who fought the last war weren't being sought out for their thoughts as the next one heats up. "Millions of veterans in this country are opposed to intervention in Central America," the group said. "The lies we are hearing now we have heard before. In Vietnam, we were told we were fighting for freedom and democracy. We found we were protecting corrupt dictators. We were told we were fighting against 'international communism.' We found we were fighting against poor, starving peasants . . . We were told that the chemical defoliants our side used were harmless. Today we are suffering and dying from Agent Orange poisoning."

In visiting Nicaragua, the veterans group picked the one country that the United States should have been helping, not harassing. The Sandinista government has flaws and has made mistakes, but it has shown more regard for human rights and social justice than the Salvadoran, Guatemalan and Honduran governments so cordially supported by the Reagan administration.

In the early 1970s Vietnam veterans helped convince the public that our involvement in Southeast Asia was militarily and morally wrong. Their protest came after a decade of death. This time in Central America, the protests are coming early. If heeded, Big Pine may not quagmire into another Big Muddy.

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'Happy Apple' pokes fun at advertising

Culture and sophistication clash head-on with the struggle to attain the Almighty Dollar with hilarious results in Jack Pulman's play, "The Happy Apple." Set in a New York City advertising agency, the play succeeds on the strength of its cast.

Directed by Dick Mueller, the play is dated by an aura of the early days of radio and TV advertising. However, the story line remains appropriate and the gag lines are still funny when carried off by this cast.

Clive Rosengren was especially impressive as the main character, Charles Murray. A greedy, ambitious ad agency owner, Murray begins to crave culture. This is not because he likes it, but rather because he is convinced he needs it.

Review

Murray is even more convinced that his agency needs a method to circumvent the modern research testing of his competitors. He therefore decides to win accounts for his failing business with good old advertising intuition.

With the aid of his employees and co-conspirators, Christopher Darga as Freddie Maine and Jerry Longe as Arthur Spender, Murray finds the answer to his prayer right under his nose. She is the typically average secretary, Nancy Gray, played by Maura Snoden.

Armed with thoughts of mediocre people, the trio of Murray, Maine and Spender rocket to the top of their industry by formulating the kind of mindless drivel we have come to expect from commercials.

First and foremost, "The Happy Apple" pokes fun at the banality of advertising and the inherent hucksterism of ad men. Under these conditions, culture can hardly be expected to flourish.

However, like a seed blown awry by an ill wind, culture sprouts in Murray's garden of greed in the character of John Kenilworth.

Paul Drake, who returns to the Firehouse for his 16th production, plays Kenilworth as an intelligent, sensitive, but completely subservient underling. Drake handles the role superbly; his voice and demeanor are reminiscent of the late Wally Cox in similar roles.

It is Kenilworth's job to enlighten Murray's life with the trappings of culture. This is not an easy task, and Murray's obvious lack of taste and knowledge (apart from his work) is the sort of running gag that makes the play work.

"Some men are born with culture and some men achieve culture. But some men cannot even have it thrust upon them," snips Gray of Murray.

Typical of dinner theater fare, "The Happy Apple" moves quickly and is well-stocked with laughs. While some might take exception to the portrayal of women as particularly guillible to commercials, this condescending attitude is aptly put to rest by play's end.

Other cast members include Ross Evans as Mr. Bassington. Evans does a fine job as a rich and lecherous agency client. Also appearing are Maureen Borden as Miss Wheeler and Don Goode as George Porter.

Although there were a few missed assignments in this second-night performance, (most notably a missed radio cue), Mueller and associate producer Mike Clark had the show running smoothly overall.

The pre-show performance by the Firehouse Brigade, "All Those Ads," was a somewhat tongue-in-cheek salute to commercials. A shorter-than-usual production, the best routine was "That's Advertisement," a parody of the show-stopping "That's Entertainment."

Dinner was well-prepared and plentiful, featuring roast beef and scalloped potatoes. For dessert, the Firehouse offers rum cake available throughout the evening.

"The Happy Apple" runs through May 20 at the Firehouse.
— KEVIN COLE

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Sports

'Hunted' Mavericks begin spring practice

By ERIC OLSON

The UNO football team won't be chasing anyone this season, according to head coach Sandy Buda. Instead, the team will be looking over its shoulder.

The team started spring practice Monday in preparation for its North Central Conference title defense. UNO finished 9-2 overall and 8-1 in the league to share the crown with North Dakota State. The only blemish on the Bison record was inflicted by the Mavs, 18-10. The Bison went on to win the national title.

"We're no longer the hunter," Buda said. "Now we're the hunted."

UNO returns six offensive starters and seven on defense, but 21 players with back-up playing experience are also back, giving the Mavs a veteran look. Buda wants to use the NCC championship as fuel for this season, but remains cautious.

"We want to draw from the confidence that comes from winning the conference," he said. "We must go on the attitude that we have something to prove and know that we are able to beat anyone on our schedule."

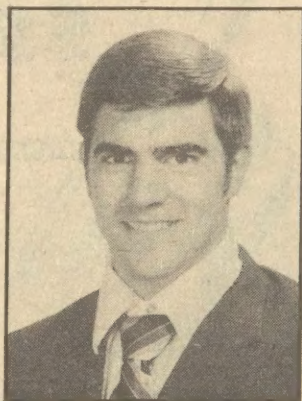
"But we have to be aware that anyone on our schedule can beat us also."

The biggest gap to fill is in the kicking department. Mark Pettit, who owns most of UNO's placekicking records, and punter Phil Montandon have graduated. Senior Jeff Pate, who averaged 36.8 yards per kick as a back-up for Montandon, is likely to be the punter. Sophomore Kevin Todd will handle the placekicking duties.

UNO suffered big losses on defense as linebackers Tim Carlson, Clark Toner and Jeff Nannen, and defensive back Kirk Hutton are gone.

Carlson was a Kodak Division II All-American and named most valuable player in the NCC. Hutton was an academic All-American and Toner a second-team academic All-American.

Sophomore Darrin Lintner and junior Mark Watkins will start the spring as No. 1 inside linebackers. Bob Rupp, Ray Stahla, Darryl Peitzmeier and Parnell Bryant return in the defensive backfield.



Pettit

Rupp and Bryant led the team in interceptions with five apiece, while making 61 and 62 tackles, respectively.

Veterans make up the defensive line as five players with starting experience come back. Thurman Ballard, who was sidelined much of last season because of injuries, anchors the tackles with sophomore Jim Nekola. Ballard made 47 tackles, while Nekola had 33, 16 unassisted. Kevin Hageman will be the noseguard, while Gary Keck and Keith Coleman will begin the spring at outside linebacker.

On offense, Buda and his staff will miss tackle Carrol Allbery, center Doug Ayars, fullback Larry Barnett, receivers Don McKee and John Sorenson, and tight end Joe Mancuso.

Allbery was voted the NCC's most valuable lineman. Ayars was all-NCC and second-team academic All-American. Barnett was the team's leading rusher with 570 yards on 137 carries.

Senior Earl Bruhn will likely take Allbery's place at tackle.

Junior James Quaites, who caught 47 passes for 910 yards and nine touchdowns, will be the top returning receiver. Junior Don Brummer is also listed as No. 1 receiver. Buda has sophomore Terry Allen and Tim Krof as back-ups. Allen, a native of Rochester, Mich., caught 10 passes for 113 yards, while Krof caught two for 31 yards.

Kevin Munro, who averaged 10.8 yards on 12 catches, is the heir-apparent for Mancuso's position.

Barnett won't be as sorely missed as the others, since UNO returns a strong running back corps. Bill Gillman is the No. 1 back after averaging 5.2 yards a carry last year. Mark Gurley and Brian Nelson, who ran for 348 and 287 yards, respectively, are other top backs coming back.

Once again the offense will be centered around senior quarterback Randy Naran. The 6'0, 190-pounder completed 60 percent of his passes last year for 2,235 yards. He averaged over 200 yards per game in passing.

The Omaha Westside graduate holds the UNO school records for completion percentage in a season, completions in a season (177) and tied the record for completions in a game (25 vs. Augustana in 1983).

Naran is also in range to break several career records set by Marlin Briscoe that have been on the books since 1967.

UNO hasn't been able to escape the injury problems that plagued them last year. Roger Cook, who underwent shoulder surgery, John Hart, knee surgery and Scott Strode, who's nursing a broken wrist, will miss spring practice.

Buda said he will experiment this spring, shuffling players around in different positions.



Kenneth Jarecke

Looking for an opening . . . UNO's Brian Nelson looks for daylight. Nelson is part of the strong returning runningback corps.

UNO Football Schedule

Sept. 1	at Northeast Missouri State	1:30 p.m.
Sept. 8	Kearney State	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 15	South Dakota	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 22	at Morningside	7 p.m.
Sept. 29	at North Dakota State	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 6	at South Dakota State	2 p.m.
Oct. 13	Augustana	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 20	North Dakota	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 27	at Northern Colorado	1 p.m.
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Nov. 10	at Mankato State	1:30 p.m.

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School records are shattered in track teams' southern meets

The men's and women's track teams returned home this week after training and competing in Texas during spring break.

The Lady Mavs outdistanced Texas A&I 225-126 at the Coastal Bend Relays in Kingsville Saturday, while the men lost a dual to Southwest Texas 83-60 Friday night.

Becky Wilson contributed in five wins to lead UNO. She won the triple jump, the 100- and 200-meter dashes and ran on the winning 400 and 1,600 relays.

Sophomore Linda Elsasser won the 3,000 in 10:04.5, a school and meet record. That time also qualified her for the Division II Nationals.

In the men's loss at San Marcos, senior Tracy Slobodnik broke his own school record of 16'2" in the pole vault with a 16'6" effort. That mark was also good for a win in the event.

Bruce Cook was the lone double winner for UNO with wins in the field events.

He won the shot put with a toss of 45'7" and the discus in 134'7".

Other UNO winners were Marty Bamsey with a high jump of 6'4", Tim Freeburg in the 110-meter high hurdles in 14.2 seconds, Mike Brides with a 46'9½" triple jump, Ben Welch in

the 5,000 at 14:59 and Gerald Harder in the 1,500 at 4:00.3.

Men's head coach Don Patton said the team was shorthanded because of employment obligations. "We have people that can help us that had to stay home."

Patton said the absence of Byron Murrell and Mike Jones (middle distance), Mike Rzewnicki (javelin) and Mike Wellington (intermediate hurdles) hurt the team.

He also said warmer weather in Omaha prior to the Texas visit would have helped the team fare better. "If the weather cooperates with us from now on, times will improve," he said.

The men's and women's teams will have dual meets this weekend. The men will face South Dakota in a 2 p.m. meet at Caniglia Field, while the women will travel to Northwest Missouri State.



Harder

Gates confident after 2-7 start

Although the UNO baseball team went 2-7 on its southern road trip, head coach Bob Gates isn't worried.

He said the Mavs' opponents hit well and took advantage of poor defense and pitching. "I'm not discouraged, though," Gates said. "We'll score runs and our pitching will come around."

Some of the team's poor defense was exhibited in its doubleheader losses to Sam Houston State last Saturday. UNO committed three errors in each game, losing 7-2 and 11-3.

The Bearcats' Blaine Johnson hurled a two-hitter in the opener and Richard Johnson set a school record by hitting his 12th homer of the season off UNO's Barry Park.

Sam Houston came from behind in the second game, fueled by two UNO errors to sustain a rally in the five-run fifth inning.

The Mavs started the road trip by playing in the Pineywoods Tournament in Nacogdoches, Texas March 26-29. UNO let a 4-0 lead evaporate in the season opener against Missouri-St. Louis. The Mavs eventually lost 5-4.

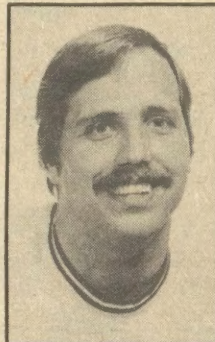
Bill Lynam hit a home run in the first inning to open a 1-0 UNO lead. The Mavs

expanded the margin in the fourth when Pat Gibbons opened with a double and scored on an error on a ball hit by Joe Mancuso. Gregg Larsen then hit a homer to make it 4-0.

The Rivermen scored three runs off starter John Weatherly in the fifth. Mancuso relieved Weatherly in the sixth, and was greeted with a homer by Roger Nahrup. Missouri-St. Louis won the game on a double in the seventh which drove in a run.

UNO's first win of the year came in a 16-0 thrashing over MacAlester College the next day. Its other victory was notched against Missouri-St. Louis, 8-3.

In its only game against North Central Conference competition, the Mavs lost 10-9 to South Dakota State. The Jackrabbits scored in the bottom of the seventh inning on a sacrifice fly to win the game.



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UNO juniors Bill Jacobson and Dan Rust were named to the 11-member North Central Conference All-Academic team.

Jacobson, a native of Sioux City, Iowa, has a 3.76 grade point average in business. Rust, an English major from Spencer, Iowa, also holds a 3.76 GPA.

Morningside had the most players on the team with three.

Hanson eyes 6'10" center

UNO head basketball coach Bob Hanson said the signing of 6'10" center Darwin Klassen would make this a very successful recruiting year.

Klassen, from Little Rock, Iowa, averaged 22 points and 13 rebounds as a senior and led 21-4 Little Rock to a third place finish in the state Class I-A tournament.

Considered to be a Division I prospect, Klassen said he doesn't want to go to a big school. Morningside, South Dakota, South Dakota State and Augustana are other North Central Conference schools interested in recruiting Klassen.

Other top recruits sought by Hanson are Mark Miller, a 6'3" guard from Medford, Wis., and Chris Funchness, a 6'5" forward from Chicago.

Hanson hopes to see their signatures on national letters of intent on or soon after Wednesday, April 11, the first day the NCAA allows signing of high school athletes.

Thompson named All-NCC

Dean Thompson was named to the World-Herald All-NCC team, announced last week. Selected for the third straight year, Thompson was also named honorary captain.

Sophomore Rick Keys was named to the second team.

Thompson averaged 17 points per game for the Mavs, leading them to a North Central Conference championship with a 23-7 record. Keys averaged 14.1 points a game.

Sodawasser undergoes surgery

UNO junior center Terry Sodawasser underwent surgery on

his right ankle last Thursday at the University of Nebraska Medical Center, head basketball coach Bob Hanson announced. Sodawasser missed six conference games after having arthroscopic surgery on the ankle to remove bone and tissue fragments.

Hanson said Sodawasser had bone spurs removed, and will have his leg in a cast four to six weeks.

Lady Mavs up record to 2-2

The UNO softball team returned home after its southern road trip to split a doubleheader with Wayne State, winning 5-4 in the first game and losing 3-1 in the nightcap.

Six of the scheduled eight games on the road trip were cancelled because of rain. At the Pittsburg (Kan.) Invitational, Northern Iowa defeated UNO 3-2. But the Lady Mavs rebounded to beat Augsburg 7-4.

Head coach Chris Miner said the team's defense will have to improve. The team averages two errors per game.

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